

The Commonwealth.

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LOOKS LIKE VICTORY.

THE COMMONWEALTH has held over twenty-four hours to get election news. The latest reports show that the contest has been close, and Chairman Jones of the National Democratic Committee, is reported over the wires as saying that Bryan cannot lose.

The State is in doubt, but Halifax County has gone Republican by about 1,800 majority.

Elsewhere we give a tabulated statement of the county vote by precincts.

Three precincts have not been heard from, but they have certainly gone Republican.

The nation has never witnessed such a contest before; but despite the piles of money from the coffers of Mark Hanna and others who have poured out their millions without stint, it looks like Mr. Bryan is elected.

Whether elected or not, he is one of the most remarkable men in the world to-day.

WHEAT CULTURE.

THE COMMONWEALTH pleads for new industries and home independence. We believe that our farmers are making a mistake in not planting wheat. Whatever is made on the farm for home consumption is cheaper than bought even if it can be had for half price. Every bushel of wheat raised on the farm is a good weight in the balance of home independence; and the farm that does not support itself does not show the very best management.

It was remarked to us a few days ago by one who had made extensive observation that a farmer who does not sell as often as he buys is not a good farmer, or words to that effect.

The planting of wheat would save the buying of flour to the farmer and thus take one more article from the end of the scale which so often goes down against him.

Now is the season for planting wheat and we hope to see many farmers preparing and planting their lands. It is another step towards home independence, and without home independence no farmer may hope to be prosperous.

Some farmers say there are no mills. Yes, and the mill men say there is no wheat. Wheat will bring the mills. Let there be large quantities of wheat and there will be mills to grind it.

THE WELDON MILLS.

A few days ago we had the pleasure of calling at the large plant of the Roanoke and Navigation Water Power Co. in Weldon.

The power is immense and would run an indefinite amount of machinery.

We went through the Oil Mills under the management of Mr. H. A. Mims who is secretary and treasurer. He was very clever and made it quite interesting to look through and note the processes by which the cotton seed are converted into meal and hulls and the oil taken from them.

The oil mill investment amounts to \$25,000 and the mill employs 22 men. The output is 30 tons every twenty-four hours and the mill runs day and night in season, say from October to May.

A ton of cotton seed yields 40 gallons of oil, 700 pounds of meal, 900 pounds hulls and 20 pounds of lint cotton.

Mr. Mims was putting in a new water wheel, and is now ready to do even more work than ever before.

The Weldon Corn Mill Company under the management of Mr. W. W. Wiggins as secretary and treasurer, is doing a good business. The investment is about \$30,000 and the mill has a capacity for grinding 1,500 bushels of corn a day. The roller process is used and with some improvements soon to be made these mills will turn out as good meal as any mills in the country. They are already shipping largely along the Coast Line and Seaboard Air Line railroads, sending shipments as far as Aberdeen. They buy most of the corn used from Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Wiggins was very clever and we appreciated his kindness and courtesy. Weldon is quite fortunate in the great water power it has, which only needs to be developed to furnish means for employing a large force of hands in various manufacturing, and thus grow to be a town of many thousand inhabitants.

The Edenton Agriculture and Fish fair will open November 10th and continue four days. Great preparations have been made for the occasion. THE COMMONWEALTH is under obligations to Jno. C. Bond, Esq., the secretary for a special invitation.

Election Returns.

Halifax County by Townships.

	PRESIDENTIAL.		STATE.		CONGRESSIONAL.	
	BRYAN.	MOCKLEY.	WATSON.	RUSSELL.	GUTHRIE.	WOODARD.
Brinkleyville,....	100	166	86	175		91
Butterwood,....						162
Conococton,....	343	577	319	571	23	318
Enfield,....	77	175	46	175	31	61
Faucett,....	157	437	231	436	11	138
Gaston,....	86	140	70	144		84
Palmyra & Neals,....	150	357	150	357	19	140
Roseneath,....						138
Scot. Neck,....	234	456	237	45	17	237
Weldon & Rapids,....	341	475	343	533	1	342

	SENATE.		HOUSE.		SHERIFF.		TREAS.		REG. D.		CORONER.	
	KITCHIN.	CLARK.	FATHERSON.	THORNE.	ARRINGTON.	HARRIS.	DUNN.	DANSON.	TULLERY.	DOVER.	BRINKLEY.	FURGERSON.
Brinkleyville,....	84	185	89	95	170	171	82	186	81	187	85	184
Butterwood,....												
Conococton,....	319	603	320	320	580	576	293	526	317	604	319	599
Enfield,....	46	203	46	46	202	201	46	206	43	200	46	206
Faucett,....	138	461	138	138	456	455	125	474	130	462	33	456
Gaston,....	71	157	72	70	153	153	71	155	71	157	73	151
Pal. & Neals,....	150	357	150	150	357	357	150	307	150	357	150	357
Roseneath,....												
Scot. Neck,....	238	497	238	237	464	464	243	459	238	468	236	465
Weldon-Rap. 316	552	342	340	541	542		339	544	340	543	341	543

	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.		SURVEYOR.	
	HYMAN.	DANIEL.	JOHNSTON.	WHITE.
Brinkleyville,....	86	86	82	182
Butterwood,....				
Conococton,....	317	314	307	600
Enfield,....	45	46	44	306
Faucett,....	135	136	136	461
Gaston,....	73	73	75	154
Palmyra & Neals,....	150	150	150	357
Roseneath,....				
Scot. Neck,....	203	227	238	316
Weldon & Roanoke Rap. 340	340	340	337	243

The above is as nearly a correct report of the election returns as we could give. Conococton, Roseneath, Brinkleyville and Littleton precincts have not been reported. From Littleton the estimate was given that the Republican majority was 40.

MIXING THEIR MONEY.

Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.

SPRING HOPE, N. C., Nov. 2, 1896.

Spring Hope is a thriving little town at the terminus of the Nashville Branch railroad, situated in a healthy portion of Nash county. It offers many inducements to capitalists, being in the midst of a fine farming community where fine crops of cotton and tobacco are raised. We have several cotton buyers who always pay the highest price the markets will afford. We also have a tobacco market where at the warehouse of Aiken & Killebrew the hearts of the farmers are made glad with good prices for their tobacco and the affable treatment of the genial proprietors. There are more than two hundred bales of cotton lying on the cotton yard in our town now.

Owing to the present condition of excitement over the election, which, ere this goes to print, will be over, business has been dull this fall.

Spring Hope had quite a sensation on last Saturday evening and also on Sunday morning. During the day some time a young man was committed to the lock-up for being drunk and disorderly. When looked up he said he had no money. Later in the day an old man was found drunk on the streets and also placed in the lock-up. About night the young man sent word that he was ready to pay his fine and come out. After paying the cost and fine, \$2.95, and displaying several bills of money he went off home. Soon after this the old man was released and found that his pocket-book and money were gone. A warrant was issued against the young man, who was arrested and brought back to town, and when searched there was no money found. He denied taking the money from the other man but admitted that his wife had his pocket book, just before he was arrested. He also claimed that if he paid his fine he knew nothing about it.

I call no names at present on account of their families. On Sunday morning about one hour to day Mr. Renfrow was up on account of sickness of his wife when he saw a light in the store house of Mr. T. E. May. Going to see the cause, he found a negro by the name of Frank Pender weighing out snuff. He ran back home and sent his boys to notify Mr. May and others. In a few moments quite a crowd had gathered and surrounded the house. Mr. W. J. Green, town police, and Mr. Ranes entered at the front door and the negro ran in a shed room of the store and then back into the main store room and made for the back door which he succeeded in opening before Mr. Ranes and Mr. Green could catch him. As he went out Green shot at him twice but did not hit him. He ran by several at the back door and succeeded in making his escape, being shot at several times as he ran off. A warrant was issued by Justice J. T. Fulford and he was arrested soon after he reached home. He had bagged some meat and snuff and several other things, but failed to carry it off with him. His key and cap were found. When brought to trial he was identified as the same negro that was seen in the store by several, who saw him by the light of matches, as he would strike them to see what he was getting. In default of bail he was committed to jail.

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Notice.

By virtue of a judgement of the Superior Court of Halifax county, rendered in an action therein pending wherein J. W. Sherrod & Bro., and Bettie J. Bryan are plaintiffs and Bettie W. Whitfield, Roberta Whitfield and W. H. Johnson, trustees, are defendants, I will on Monday the 23rd day of November 1896, at the Post Office door in Enfield, N. C., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, between 11 o'clock a. m., and 2 o'clock p. m., the land described in said judgment, viz: All that tract or parcel of land situated in the county of Halifax near the town of Enfield on which the late John G. Whitfield resided at the time of his death, adjoining the lands of James H. Parker, E. C. Bustin and others and being the same land which is described by metes and bounds in the deeds which were executed by Spier Whitaker and wife to said Bettie Whitaker and Roberta Whitfield, recorded in the public Registry of said county in Book 63, pages 469 and 470; Book 64, pages 424 and 425 and Book 65, pages 8, 10, 11; and also in the deed from M. F. Riddick to said Bettie N. and Roberta Whitfield. That part of said land heretofore sold to David Bell Esq., lying on the left side of the road is excluded from this sale.

G. M. T. FOUNTAIN,
Commissioner of Court.

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ALEXANDER GREENE,
Administrator.

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